their Plans according to formula approved by National Development Council. Central assistance has not been allocated specifically to Gujarat State Electricity Board.

(b) There is only one on-going hydro electric project in the State of Gujarat namely Kadana Stage II (2×60 MW). The approved outlay for this project for the year 1993-94 is Rs. 40 crores. The approved Power Sector outlay for Gujarat for 1993-94 is Rs. 466.40 crores, 1994-95 proposals are yet to be finalised.

(c) Does not arise.

Release of Grants for Punjab

1359. SHRI IQBAL SINGH : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have released full amount of grants sanctioned for the annual plan of Punjab ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) to (c) Central Assistance and loans and grants for financing Anual Plans of States are released on monthly basis. The amounts allocated and releases so far itemwise to the Government of Punjab during 1993-94 for financing Annual Plan 1993-94 are as under :

(Rs. in crores)

Item	Amount allocated	Amount released so far
1. Normal Central Assistance . . .	159.52	199.25
2. Special term loan .	939.00	652.20
3. Additional Central Assistance for externally aided projects .	142.07	32.75
4. Loan against small savings collections .	250.00	199.12
5. Plan Revenue Deficit Grant . . .	12.40	9.27

Development Projects Related to Assam

1360. SHRI TARA CHARAN MAJUMDAR : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of developmental projects related to Assam which are pending with Government for clearance; and

(b) by when these projects are likely to be cleared ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) No developmental projects of the State are pending in the Planning Commission for investment clearance.

Existence of District Planning Boards in the States

1361. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Planning Commission has noted the existence of District Planning Boards in many states;

(b) whether the Planning Commission consulted or sought views of such Boards in the formulation of the plan and its targets;

(c) whether Planning Commission have initiated any steps to take into consideration the total requirements of the village as a unit in finalising plans;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) to (d) Planning Commission has been impressing upon State Governments to prepare district plans since Fourth Five Year Plan (1969—74). Most of the States have already set up District level planning and monitoring bodies such as District Planning Boards, District Development Councils, etc., which